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1. TWO LENGTHY MEETINGS HELD ON NOV 23 AND 24 BETWEEN DR ETEMAD, PRESIDENT, ATOMIC ENERGY ORGANIZATION OF IRAN (AEO), AND HIS PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT, DR ARABIAN, WITH JULIUS H RUBIN, SENIOR USAEC REPRESENTATIVE IN BRUSSELS, AND DR ALBERT CHAPMAN, SCIATT. CONTENT OF STATE 253769 REVIEWED ON NOV 23 AND DECISION MADE TO LEAVE CONTRACTS 100 AND 101 UNCHANGED.

2. ETEMAD REQUESTED THAT DATE OF FIRST DELIVERY ON FOUR NEW CONDITIONAL 1200 MWE CONTRACTS BE CHANGED TO JAN 1, 1984, OCT 1, 1984, JULY 1, 1985 AND APRIL 1, 1986. THIS REQUEST DISCUSSED BY PHONE WITH JIM GARRETT OF AEC HQ AND GARRETT ADVISED AEC CANNOT CHANGE DATES IN CONTRACTS FROM THOSE ORIGINALLY PROVIDED BY AEO ON JUNE 30, 1974 (I.E. FIRST DELIVERY OF MATERIAL UNDER ALL CONTRACTS PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 1982).

3. UPON RECEIPT OF INFORMATION ON NOV 24 THAT DATES OF FIRST DELIVERY COULD NOT BE CHANGED, ETEMAD ADVISED THAT HE WILL NEED MORE TIME AND FURTHER CONSULTATION WITH HIS GOVERNMENT BEFORE DECIDING

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IF CONDITIONAL CONTRACTS WILL BE SIGNED.

4. ETEMAD REQUESTED DELAY OF ABOUT FOUR MONTHS, IF POSSIBLE, AS THIS IS TARGET FOR RECEIPT OF DETAILED CONTRACTS FROM KWU AND FRAMATONE FOLLOWING LETTERS OF INTENT SIGNED LAST WEEK. AT THAT TIME ETEMAD WILL BE ABLE TO ASSESS DEGREE OF ASSURANCE IN OFFER BY KWU AND FRAMATONE TO PROVIDE ENRICHING SERVICE FOR FOUR REACTORS THEY ARE SUPPLYING.

5. IF FOUR MONTHS DELAY NOT POSSIBLE, ETEMAD WANTS TO KNOW LATEST DATE HE HAS TO SIGN THE CONDITIONAL CONTRACTS. HE IS STILL CONSIDERING SIGNING CONTRACTS AND (1) STOCK PILING MATERIAL UNTIL NEEDED OR (2) OFFERING SOME PROTION TO OTHER UTILITIES AS PRESENTLY BEING PRACTICED BY SEVERAL US UTILITIES.

6. RUBIN SUGGESTED THIRD POSSIBILITY OF SIGNING CONDITIONAL CONTRACTS AS INSURANCE POLICY AND ACCEPTING PARTIAL TERMINATION PENALTY OF FIRST INSTALLMENT DOWN PAYMENT SHOULD NEED FOR MATERIAL CHANGE PRIOR TO AEC DECISION ON PU RECYCLE, WHICH IS ESTIMATED AROUND JULY 1975.

7. OF COURSE, FIRST CHOICE OF ETEMAD WOULD BE TO SIGN FOUR NEW CONDITIONAL CONTRACTS WITH FIRST DELIVERY DATES CHANGED TO DATES GIVEN IN PARA 2.

8. REQUEST AEC DEVELOP ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS RAISED BY ETEMAD AND COMMUNICATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SUGGEST CONTACTING RUBIN IN BRUSSELS FOR ANY CLARIFICATION OR FURTHER DETAILS ABOUT DISCUSSION WITH ETEMAD.

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